

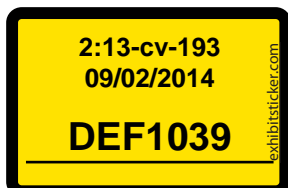
SB 14 Talking Points

LEGITIMATE STATE INTERESTS

- **Detering and detecting fraud**
 - **Deceased voters, felons, duplicate registrations, and non-residents remain on voter rolls (2007 State Auditor report found over 49,000 of these possible ineligible voters).**
 - **Fraudulent registration applications are rampant (over 6,000 applications by non-citizens rejected in Harris County from 2004-2007, 2008 ACORN and 2010 Houston Votes registration scandals made national news).**
- **Improving and modernizing election procedures**
 - **Majority of Texans have Driver's License or qualified photo ID.**
- **Protecting public confidence and improving election integrity**
- **Fair and Equitable**
 - **Low burden that is equitably applied to advance the state's interest of ensuring election integrity.**
 - **Non-discriminatory.**
 - **Equally applied.**

(These points are taken directly from Supreme Court opinion describing Indiana's "legitimate state interests" in adopting photo ID.)

MEASURES REQUIRED TO OFFSET BURDENS ON VOTERS



- **Access to free photo ID cards.**
 - **Fee waived for those seeking id for voting purposes.**
- **Availability of provisional ballots and absentee ballots.**
 - **Provisional ballots, must present photo-id w/in 6 days for review by the early voting ballot board.**
- **Ensure that obtaining ID is no more inconvenient or burdensome than usual act of voting.**
 - **Process of registering is still the same.**
 - **Access to ID is maintained.**
- **Phase-in provision**
 - **SB 14 does not have a phase-in provision.**
 - **Instead, act will take effect in whole on 1/1/12.**
- **Education**
 - **Texas will pursue an aggressive voter education program as stated in SB 14.**